

ber of boxes were given out expecting each child to collect \$1.00 or more. The result of the scheme will be anxiously awaited. What has become of our union meetings? Will some one please arise and explain?

H. C. REED.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Last Sunday night we baptized three more, a young man and wife who were recently converted and an elderly Methodist lady who for a year or more has been attending our church. We believe the Lord has lead them to us and will use them for his glory.

Our church attendance has been unusually large for the last month. The church has been comfortably filled each Sunday evening. Many strangers and unconverted have been coming. We ask our dear brethren to continue to remember us at the throne that God may raise up among us men and women that will intercede the throne night and day until God will do great things even above our asking and thinking. O! how I long to be more like Jesus, to have more love for the salvation of souls, more desire to be just what Jesus wants me to be, no confidence in the flesh and more confidence in him doing great things.

My soul has been enlarged in reading dear Brother Shively's articles on world wide evangelization, and our unpretentious Brother Ditch on the love of God. Many other articles have brought me closer to God, particularly the systematic articles of Yoder, Gillin and the less systematic but no less helpful articles of Brother Furry. I wish some of our able writers would take the time to write a series of strong articles on the specific doctrines of the Brethren church emphasizing the spiritual as well as the logical side. Brother Rensch gave us several good articles on the Lord's Supper but it seems to me we ought ever keep our principles before our people. The missionary spirit is growing beyond our brightest hope in the EVANGELIST. We don't want to abate along this line. No, I hope that it is only the beginning of the missionaries prayers and teaching that will produce fruit that will be sent to the uttermost parts of the earth. But while this is being done we want to press upon the people the triune baptism. Matt. 28:19, 29, and the triune ordinances, Feet Washing, Lord's Supper and Communion. with all their beauty and power. If properly taught, thro them we can see Jesus and the Father and the Spirit as we never could see them without. Let us daily consider, intensely gaze upon Jesus that we may know him better and become more and more like him. Praise his precious name! Amen.

ISAAC D. BOWMAN.

Sunnyside, Washington

On December 1st, three months ago, I wrote under the following heads:

Products. Since then we have produced butter and eggs, beef and mutton. My neighbor has sixty acres of alfalfa and fattened 1101 head of steers. Thousands of

sheep were wintered here, but at this writing they are already taken off on the range, where they do well on bunch grass. Butter has been as high as 27½ cents and eggs 30 cents a dozen. At Seattle last quotations for best quality, steers 5c; sheep 4½c; hogs 4¾c; chickens, live, 13c; turkeys 15c.

Climate. Our government weather reporter, R. D. Young, gives me the following official report for Sunnyside: November, 1898, highest temperature 62; average highest 46; lowest 17; average lowest 29. Snow fall 1 inch. December, highest temperature 62; average highest 34; lowest 6 below; average lowest 19. Snow fall ½ inch. January, highest temperature 61; average highest 38; lowest 16 below; average lowest 19. Snow fall 20 inches. Below zero one day in December, two days in January. On same days highest temperature was 13, 14 and 13 above. The deep snow, 18 inches, lay about ten days. This is considered a hard winter here. In Missouri or Kansas it would be called mild. There was very little wind all winter except one blow of twelve hours. Not the least sign of a snow drift was seen all winter.

Roads. This season of the year the roads are always good here. Generally speaking, our roads are poor compared with Kansas or Nebraska. They are good compared with Pennsylvania or Virginia.

Health. There has been very little sickness. No doctor was called to the community to my knowledge.

Society. Organization of the Brethren Union Sunday school first of the year. Regular organized literary society. Preaching by Brethren Miller and Eby morning and evening each Lord's day. Brother Harrison preaches his first sermon March 5th. Subject, "Christ a practical man." The people whom we found here are a social and intellectual class above the average. Most of them are cooperating with us in advancing morality and Christianity in the community.

Our Work. We are a very busy class of people. One more family, John Shellers, of Lanark, Ill., arrived this winter. We have brought into Sunnyside eleven car loads of freight. Rowland, Miller and Eby each have a fine, large farm house well under way on his land. They build cellar walls from good building rock and sand found close by. Brother Weyhight is an expert at mason work. We built and filled an ice house for use of four families who are interested. We have done some clearing and leveling and have contracted thirty acres with alfalfa stand guaranteed and thirty acres menly to be leveled. The work is done by local contractors.

We have organized a local society for the improvement of this section in social and temporal matters. Improvement of public roads; school grounds, building of creamery, fancy poultry breeding, etc., are subjects under consideration. Brother Charles Grubb son of W. Grubb, Jennings, La., is here fitting up a house for his folks to move in on arrival in a few weeks. Brother C. E. Doty,

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of Vernalis, San Joaquin County, Calif., has just arrived and will remain with us long enough to do some work and learn practically of this new country.

The Future. Looks promising. At our last colony meeting the creamery committee reported one hundred and eleven cows now in this district. We are trying to make a general loan with which to buy some dairy cows and heifers. If this can be accomplished we have places for two hundred and forty cows and heifers. If the loan can not be secured we have application for eighty-seven head from parties prepared to pay for them. Plans are now being formulated to build a creamery in the near future.

Of the thirty persons who arrived since our work was inaugurated I am safe in saying without contradiction that every one will testify that the country has grown in general favor and greater possibilities for the future are constantly predicted.

Our number of families, seven, is to be exactly doubled this month. Four car loads of immigrant goods are now on the way from Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Iowa. In all our letters and circulars we have endeavored to overestimate nothing. There are some disadvantages in every country and we are free to discuss these as well as the advantages with any one coming or to any one writing for such information. We think it is due to this effort that our people who are here are so well satisfied. Immediately ahead of us are the March and April winds and dust. We mean to overcome most of this and get used to the rest. There are enough fine days here one can stand some dusty, disagreeable ones. I will write again May 1st.

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